

Daily Digest

Highlights

House concurred in the Senate amendments to H.R. 8, American Taxpayer Relief Act of 2012.

Chamber Action

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Measures Passed:

Thrift Savings Fund: Committee on Homeland Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration of H.R. 4365, to amend title 5, United States Code, to make clear that accounts in the Thrift Savings Fund are subject to certain Federal tax levies. **Page S8633**

Printing of Measures Enrolled: Senate agreed to H. Con. Res. 147, waiving the requirement that measures enrolled during the remainder of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress be printed on parchment. **Pages S8633–34**

Nominations Confirmed: Senate confirmed the following nominations:

Albert G. Lauber, of the District of Columbia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for the term of fifteen years.

Ronald Lee Buch, of Virginia, to be a Judge of the United States Tax Court for a term of fifteen years.

Richard B. Berner, of Massachusetts, to be Director, Office of Financial Research, Department of the Treasury, for a term of six years. **Pages S8627–28, S8634–35**

Louise W. Kelton, of Tennessee, to be United States Marshal for the Middle District of Tennessee for the term of four years.

William P. Doyle, of Pennsylvania, to be a Federal Maritime Commissioner for the term expiring June 30, 2013.

James M. Demers, of New Hampshire, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2014.

Naomi A. Walker, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Overseas Private Investment Corporation for a term expiring December 17, 2012.

C. Peter Mahurin, of Kentucky, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2016. (Prior to this action, Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S8626, S8633–35**

Edward W. Brehm, of Minnesota, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 22, 2017.

Michael Peter Huerta, of the District of Columbia, to be Administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration for the term of five years.

Patrick J. Wilkerson, of Oklahoma, to be United States Marshal for the Eastern District of Oklahoma for the term of four years.

Yvonne Brathwaite Burke, of California, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years. (Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.) **Pages S8626, S8631, S8634–36**

Maria Rosario Jackson, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2016.

Maria Lopez De Leon, of Texas, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2016.

Joseph Byrne Donovan, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the National Institute of Building Sciences for a term expiring September 7, 2013.

Bruce R. Sievers, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2018.

Jonathan Lippman, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2012.

Jonathan Lippman, of New York, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the State Justice Institute for a term expiring September 17, 2015.

Walter M. Shaub, Jr., of Virginia, to be Director of the Office of Government Ethics for a term of five years. (Prior to this action, Committee on Homeland

Security and Governmental Affairs was discharged from further consideration.)

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Mignon L. Clyburn, of South Carolina, to be a Member of the Federal Communications Commission for a term of five years from July 1, 2012. (Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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Polly Ellen Trottenberg, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Transportation for Policy. (Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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David Masumoto, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2018.

Camila Ann Alire, of Colorado, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2018.

Ramon Saldivar, of California, to be a Member of the National Council on the Humanities for a term expiring January 26, 2018.

Angela Tammy Dickinson, of Missouri, to be United States Attorney for the Western District of Missouri for the term of four years.

Iqbal Paroo, of Florida, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the African Development Foundation for a term expiring September 22, 2017.

William J. Mielke, of Wisconsin, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

Arthur H. Sulzer, of Pennsylvania, to be a Member of the Advisory Board of the Saint Lawrence Seaway Development Corporation.

Joshua D. Wright, of Virginia, to be a Federal Trade Commissioner for the term of seven years from September 26, 2012. (Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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T. Charles Cooper, of Maryland, to be an Assistant Administrator of the United States Agency for International Development.

Mark Doms, of Maryland, to be Under Secretary of Commerce for Economic Affairs. (Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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Christopher R. Beall, of Oklahoma, to be a Director of the Amtrak Board of Directors for a term of five years. (Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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William Shaw McDermott, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metro-

politan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring November 22, 2017.

Nina Mitchell Wells, of New Jersey, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Metropolitan Washington Airports Authority for a term expiring May 30, 2018.

Lorne W. Craner, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation for a term of two years.

Bruce Carter, of Florida, to be a Member of the National Council on the Arts for a term expiring September 3, 2018.

Stewart M. De Soto, of Illinois, to be a Member of the Board of Trustees of the Barry Goldwater Scholarship and Excellence in Education Foundation for a term expiring August 11, 2016.

Joseph Eldridge, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term of four years.

George E. Moose, of Virginia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the United States Institute of Peace for a term of four years.

Keith Kelly, of Montana, to be Assistant Secretary of Labor for Veterans' Employment and Training. (Prior to this action, Committee on Veterans' Affairs was discharged from further consideration.)

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Beth J. Rosenberg, of Massachusetts, to be a Member of the Chemical Safety and Hazard Investigation Board for a term of five years. (Prior to this action, Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration.)

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Vera Lynn Evans, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2017. (Prior to this action, Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration.)

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Michael McWherter, of Tennessee, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2016. (Prior to this action, Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration.)

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Joe H. Ritch, of Alabama, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Tennessee Valley Authority for a term expiring May 18, 2016. (Prior to this action, Committee on Environment and Public Works was discharged from further consideration.)

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Morton H. Halperin, of the District of Columbia, to be a Member of the Board of Directors of the Millennium Challenge Corporation for a term of three years.

63 Air Force nominations in the rank of general.

36 Army nominations in the rank of general.
2 Marine Corps nominations in the rank of general.

2 Navy nominations in the rank of admiral.
Routine lists in the Air Force, Army, and Navy.

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Coast Guard and Coast Guard Reserve (Prior to this action, Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation was discharged from further consideration.)

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Foreign Service (Prior to this action, Committee on Foreign Relations was discharged from further consideration.)

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Messages from the House:

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Measures Referred:

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Measures Placed on the Calendar:

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Enrolled Bills Presented:

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Adjournment: Senate convened at 2 p.m. and adjourned at 5:58 p.m., until 12:00 p.m. on Wednesday, January 2, 2013. (For Senate's program, see the remarks of the Majority Leader in today's Record on page S8634.)

Committee Meetings

(Committees not listed did not meet)

No committee meetings were held.

House of Representatives

Chamber Action

Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced: 4 public bills, H.R. 6726–6729 and 1 resolution, H. Con. Res. 147 were introduced.

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Additional Cosponsors:

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Reports Filed: Reports were filed today as follows:

Activities of the House Committee on Oversight and Government Reform, One Hundred and Twelfth Congress, Second Session (H. Rept. 112–740) and

H. Res. 844, providing for consideration of the Senate amendments to the bill (H.R. 8) to extend certain tax relief provisions enacted in 2001 and 2003, and to provide for expedited consideration of a bill providing for comprehensive tax reform, and for other purposes (H. Rept. 112–741).

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Speaker: Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Dold to act as Speaker pro tempore for today.

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North Korean Refugee Adoption Act of 2012: The House agreed to take from the Speaker's table and concur in the Senate amendments to H.R. 1464, to develop a strategy for assisting stateless children from North Korea.

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Agreed to amend the title so as to read: "To express the sense of Congress regarding North Korean children and children of one North Korean parent and to require the Department of State regularly to brief appropriate congressional committees on efforts to advocate for and develop a strategy to provide assistance in the best interest of these children."

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Waiving the Requirement That Measures Enrolled During the Remainder of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress be Printed on Parchment: The House agreed to H. Con. Res. 147, to waive the requirement that measures enrolled during the remainder of the One Hundred Twelfth Congress be printed on parchment.

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Suspensions: The House agreed to suspend the rules and pass the following measures:

Preventing the 2013 Pay Adjustment for Members of Congress and Persons Holding Other Offices or Positions in the Federal Government From Being Made: H.R. 6726, to prevent the 2013 pay adjustment for Members of Congress and persons holding other offices or positions in the Federal Government from being made, by a $\frac{2}{3}$ yeas-and-nays vote of 287 yeas to 129 nays, Roll No. 655;

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Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Designation Act: S. 3662, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 6 Nichols Street in Westminister, Massachusetts, as the "Lieutenant Ryan Patrick Jones Post Office Building"; and

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Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office Designation Act: S. 3630, to designate the facility of the United States Postal Service located at 218 North Milwaukee Street in Waterford, Wisconsin, as the "Captain Rhett W. Schiller Post Office".

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Making a Technical Correction to the Flood Disaster Protection Act of 1973: The House agreed to discharge from committee and pass S. 3677, to make